IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Joseph P. Bigus, et al. : Date: April 24, 2007

Group Art Unit: 2129 : IBM Corporation

Examiner: O. Fernandez Rivas : Intellectual Property Law

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Title: METHOD, APPARATUS AND : Rochester, MN 55901

PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR MATCHING

MULTIVARIATE DATA TO FUZZY

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 2313-1450

Sir:

NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner dated January 24, 2007, finally rejecting claims 1-30.

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Respectfully submitted,

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